

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application as amended.

Claims 1-76 and 104-106 are pending in the application. Claims 22, 29-30, 32, 57-58 and 60-62 and 104-106 have been allowed. Claims 1-21, 23-28, 31, 33-56, 59 and 63-76 have been rejected.

In this response, claims 1, 15, 43, 55, 63, and 75-76 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 2, 8, 11-12, 14, 16, 24, 27-28, 31, 35-39, 41-42, 44, 51-52, 56, 59, 64-65, and 70-74 have been amended to properly depend from proper allowed independent claims. Thus, all claims as pending are allowable. No new matter has been added.

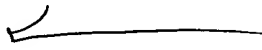
In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits the present application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (408) 720-8300.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any shortage of fees in connection with this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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